

CADET PROGRAMS TODAY

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IT'S CALLED TEAMWORK. At Cadet Officer School, cadets apply their academic study of leadership to real-world problems. COS is just one of the many career exploration opportunities available to cadets through the National Cadet Special Activities program. To learn how to apply for next summer's programs, see pages 5 & 6.

Free Money!

HQ CAP announces scholarships for 2004-05
Thousand of dollars available to cadets, seniors
Scholarships support college and flight training

Free money for school and flying — it doesn't get any simpler than that! Each year, Civil Air Patrol provides academic and flight scholarships to deserving cadets and seniors who meet eligibility requirements. Nearly \$300,000.00 is available.

General academic scholarships that are sponsored by CAP, USAA, and Who's Who Among American High School Students allow students to use their award at the technical school, college, or graduate school of their choice. That flexibility makes the "Academic Scholarships" category the most sought-after in the overall scholarship program.

Many scholarships go unused, especially those connected with specific colleges.

For example, cadets who plan to major in engineering should investigate the scholarship sponsored by Auburn University's fiber engineering department. Cadets who desire to continue developing leadership skills in a regimented cadet corps should explore the scholarships offered by Texas A&M University, a school which boasts having the largest uniformed student body in the nation. Aspiring pilots should check-out the scholarship to Dowling College's School of Aviation. And CAP members who want to pursue career fields in aviation mechanics or technology should investigate the scholarships sponsored by the Spartan School of Aeronautics.

Cadets who aspire to attend the USAF Academy have a special opportunity through CAP's partnership with the USAF Academy Preparatory School. Each year, at least one slot at the Prep School is reserved for CAP cadets through this special partnership, and completion of the Prep School curriculum almost always leads to an appointment to the Academy. Every cadet applying to the Academy ought to apply for CAP's recommendation to the Prep School as it offers them yet another opportunity to get their application seen by the admissions staff.

Too many scholarship opportunities go unused. Apply today!

► See pages 2-4 for details

Cadet homepage address simplified

When navigating yourself or another to the Cadet Programs homepage, just remember **cap.gov/cadets**.

This simple, easy to remember address will connect you to the national cadet website, which remains located at <http://level2.cap.gov/index.cfm?nodeID=5177>.

The Cadet Programs homepage contains lesson plans, best practices, cadet publications, NCSA videos, and other free resources.

Be sure to register for the free Change Detection service on the "Updates" page to receive email alerts automatically whenever the website is updated.

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Get ready for summer! See pages 5&6

APPLY TODAY FOR CAP SCHOLARSHIPS

Thousands available for college and flight training

Basic Eligibility Criteria

The following criteria applies to all scholarships, unless noted otherwise in the various scholarship announcements found below:

1. Be a current CAP member;
2. Have earned the Billy Mitchell Award or attained the Senior Rating in the Cadet Programs Officer Specialty Track;
3. Possess and maintain an academic and discipline standard acceptable to the school;
4. Be enrolled in a full-time course of study the academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.

Basic Application Procedures

The following application procedures apply to all scholarships, unless noted otherwise in the various scholarship descriptions listed in the announcements below:

1. **Application Form.** Submit to HQ CAP a completed CAPF 95, *Application for CAP Scholarship*, endorsed by the squadron and wing commander. Attach transcripts, test scores, etc., as specified on the reverse of the CAPF 95.

To help ensure application materials remain together, send the application, transcripts, etc., as a **single packet**. Avoid sending HQ CAP multiple mailings, if at all possible.

When applying for multiple scholarships, submit a completed CAPF 95 and the required supporting documents for each. In such cases, it is sufficient to send photocopies of official transcripts, provided that the original transcripts are included with one of the application packages.

2. **Deadline.** Send application packages to the address below, **postmarked by 31 January 2005**. Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

HQ Civil Air Patrol / LMPN

Attn: Scholarship Board

105 South Hansell Street

Maxwell AFB, AL 36112-6332

3. **Application Status.** Upon receipt, HQ CAP reviews each application for completeness and notifies members of their application's status via the Web. About two weeks after mailing an application to HQ CAP, visit www.cap.gov/cadets and click "scholarships" to check your application's status. This webpage will indicate whether the application has been accepted as complete, or what documents are needed to complete the application.

It is the applicant's responsibility to submit all application materials on time and to verify their application's status via the scholarship webpage. Incomplete and illegible applications will not be considered. Members who do not have Web access in their home are encouraged to visit a public library.

Commanders and Directors of Cadet Programs may monitor applications from members in their units using the webpage.

4. **Accountability.** If requested, scholarship recipients must provide HQ CAP with a record of all academic work completed while on scholarship.

5. **Announcements.** The scholarship webpage will also be used to announce scholarship winners in March.

cap.gov/cadets > scholarships

Academic Scholarships

Academic scholarships are monetary awards used to support post-secondary education. Monies are sent directly to the recipient and are to be used for tuition, books, or room and board. Scholarship recipients must ensure that the money is used responsibly. Applicants may pursue any course of study. Four types of academic scholarships are offered:

Undergraduate Scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who have completed less than 60 credit hours prior to the start of the fall semester in which the scholarship is awarded.

Advanced Undergraduate Scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who have completed at least 60 credit hours prior to the start of the fall semester in which the scholarship is awarded.

Graduate Scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who have, or will have by the end of the academic year, a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.

Technical/Vocational Scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who will be attending a post-secondary trade, technical, or vocational school.

Special Eligibility Requirements

1. Must be a high school graduate or hold a GED;
2. Must be accepted to a college/school or provide proof that an application has been made;
3. Must attend an accredited post-secondary school or college.

Special Application Requirements (Attach the following to the CAPF 95 and forward to HQ CAP/LMPN)

1. Official high school or college transcripts for the past 3 years;
2. Scores on ACT/SAT college entrance exams (graduate students may substitute MAT/GRE);
3. Statement of acceptance from an accredited college or university or proof that application has been made;
4. Recent photo demonstrating proper wear of the CAP uniform;
5. No more than three (3) letters of recommendation.

Selection Procedures A scholarship board will score the applications. The board evaluates applicants in the following areas: academic achievement, CAP accomplishments, and extra-curricular or community service activities. HQ CAP will announce scholarship winners in March via the scholarship webpage.

Auburn University Engineering

Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama, may award a \$6,600 scholarship to a CAP cadet who will major in fiber engineering, textile chemistry, or textile management and technology at Auburn. **To apply**, follow the procedures listed on page 2 for academic scholarships and apply for admission to Auburn University. Thereafter, HQ CAP will provide additional information on how to complete special application procedures. For additional information about Auburn, visit www.auburn.edu.

Spartan School of Aeronautics

Spartan School of Aeronautics offers up to twenty-six \$2,500 scholarships to CAP members enrolling in their program, which is located in Tulsa, OK. Senior members are also eligible to apply. To find out more about the school, visit www.spartan.edu.

Dowling College School of Aviation

Dowling College annually sponsors one 1-year scholarship (valued at \$8,000) and two 1-year scholarships (valued at \$4,000) for CAP members who enroll at the Dowling College School of Aviation. This scholarship is also open to senior members. For more information about Dowling College, visit www.dowling.edu.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Col Louisa Spruance Morse Scholarships

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University makes three \$1,000 scholarships available to CAP members who enroll at ERAU and complete the first semester of AFROTC. See the ERAU AFROTC department for full details. Do **not** apply for these scholarships through HQ CAP. Both cadets and senior members may apply.

USAF Chief of Staff Scholarship

A \$1,500 college scholarship is automatically awarded in the name of the USAF Chief of Staff to Civil Air Patrol's Cadet of the Year. For more information about the Cadet of the Year Award, see CAPR 39-3.

Clara E. Livingston Cadet Scholarship

This \$3,000 educational scholarship, named after an aviation pioneer, CAP member during Word War II, and former Puerto Rico wing commander, is available only to Puerto Rico cadets (as stated in Col Livingston's will). For details, contact Puerto Rico Wing.

Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets

Are you interested in continuing your study of leadership in a military / cadet environment while attending a high-caliber college? Texas A&M University will make up to ten scholarships available annually to CAP cadets who attend the university and enroll in their Corps of Cadets.

Texas A&M University is highly competitive academically. Students with strong academic and extracurricular leadership backgrounds are favored. To learn more about the Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets, visit their website: www.aggiecorps.org.

Special Application Procedures

1. Ascertain whether you meet the enrollment requirements of Texas A&M University. Current requirements can be viewed at www.tamu.edu as well as the on-line application and other vital information about Texas A&M and the Corps of Cadets. (NOTE: You must be a senior in High School or a transfer from another university to apply. Applications are accepted beginning September 1 of each year and it is the applicant's best interest to apply early.)

2. Complete the on-line application and pay the application fee. If you have any questions or need assistance with the application please contact Sgt. Major Dennis Hastings at (800) 826-8247 or sgm-hastings@tamu.edu.

3. Go on-line at www.jcap-tamu.org/scholarship and complete the scholarship application form. If you need assistance or have questions please contact Sgt. Major Hastings. You will need two letters of recommendation (one from a CAP senior member). You will be contacted by Texas A&M via mail and telephone to discuss your interests.

4. Concurrent with making an application to the university, submit to HQ CAP a completed CAPF 95, following the Basic Application Procedures found on page 2.

5. Upon acceptance to Texas A&M University, the Corps of Cadets and HQ CAP will review your application and make the appropriate recommendation.

6. Scholarships are effective upon enrollment and good standing in the University and the Corps of Cadets. Scholarships will enable out-of-state students to be eligible for out-of-state tuition waiver (a savings of up to \$7000 per year).



Check it twice.

Your application represents you. Make sure it's neat & complete.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FLOWCHART

This simplified flowchart describes application procedures for all scholarship, unless otherwise noted in the scholarship description.

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| 1. Submit scholarship application package to squadron commander. | 2. Submit endorsed application package to wing commander. | 3. Submit final package to NHQ by 31 Jan. Check status on-line. | 4. Scholarship board announces winners in March via the Web. |
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Order of Daedalians Flight Scholarships

The Order of Daedalians, a national fraternity of military pilots, awards five \$2,100 flight scholarships in the name of former CAP National Commander Maj Gen Lucas V Beau to help deserving CAP cadets earn their FAA private pilot's license (the scholarship may not be used to obtain additional ratings). Applicants who have earned their solo badge or graduated from an aerospace-related special activity are especially encouraged to apply.

Special Eligibility Requirements

1. Be a current CAP cadet and aspiring military aviator;
2. Have earned the Billy Mitchell Award;
3. Be at least 16, but not have turned 19, on 1 June 2005;
4. Possess vision 20/50 or better (corrected to 20/20);
5. Apply using CAPF 95. Younger cadets, who are unable to provide SAT/ACT scores or college information, should attach a short note of explanation.
6. Send the completed application to HQ CAP/LMPN, post-marked by **1 March**. Semi-finalists will be required to participate in a telephone interview in March.

HQ CAP screens and rank-orders the applications. The Daedalians make the final selection and announce their decision in May. Scholarships are paid by reimbursing flight training expenses incurred between 1 June 2005 and 31 May 2006. All applicants will also be considered for a General Aviation Flight Scholarship.

General Aviation Flight Scholarships

CAP may offer General Aviation Flight Scholarship(s) to help cadets attain a private pilot's license. The number of scholarships and the award amount will depend on funds available. Applicants who have earned their solo badge or graduated from an aerospace-related special activity are especially encouraged to apply.

Special Eligibility Requirements

1. Be a current CAP cadet;
2. Have earned the Billy Mitchell Award;
3. Be at least 16 on 1 June 2005;
4. Apply using CAPF 95. Younger cadets, who are unable to provide SAT/ACT scores or college information, should attach a short note of explanation;
5. Send applications to HQ CAP, post-marked by **1 March**.

The Spaatz Association

The Spaatz Association annually sponsors scholarships to help CAP cadets advance their flight training from solo to private pilot. A limited amount of the scholarship may also be used to attend a CAP leadership activity.

Special Eligibility Requirements

1. Be a current CAP cadet who has earned the Mitchell Award;
2. Have earned solo wings in a powered aircraft;
3. Maintain a 3.0 GPA (normalized);
4. Have not been selected for a similar scholarship or grant.

For application procedures and deadlines, visit www.spaatz.org. While HQ CAP helps publicize this scholarship, it is funded by The Spaatz Association, which selects the scholarship recipients. Apply directly to The Spaatz Association, not HQ CAP.

U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School

Each year HQ CAP submits recommendations to the U.S. Air Force Academy for at least one cadet to attend the Academy's Preparatory School. The Prep School's one-year program (valued at over \$32,500) greatly increases a student's potential for admission to the Academy. It is a fantastic opportunity for cadets who might not otherwise qualify for appointment to the Academy.

All cadets aspiring to attend the Academy are *strongly urged* to apply for this special opportunity.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Be a current CAP cadet and have earned the Mitchell Award;
2. Be at least 17, but not yet 22, on 1 July of the admitting year;
3. Be a US citizen, or assured of citizenship before graduation;
4. Be unmarried and have no legal dependents;
5. Be of high moral character;
6. Be medically qualified for an appointment to USAFA;
7. Not have previously attended a service academy.

Application Requirements Application for CAP's recommendation to the USAFA Preparatory School is a two-part process:

Part A: USAFA Application

Applicants must first apply directly to the USAFA using the USAFA Application for Admission, available at www.academyadmissions.com. Cadets must request the application by 31 December of their senior year. USAFA must receive the completed application by 31 January.

Part B: Civil Air Patrol Application

Complete a CAPF 95. Attach all documents required of academic scholarships (see page 2), plus:

1. A memo stating you are single and have no legal dependents;
2. A copy of your birth certificate;
3. A recent full-length 4x6 photo in the AF-style blue uniform;
4. Letters of recommendation (maximum 4);
5. Applicants under 18: A parent must include a signed memo stating that they will permit their son or daughter to attend the Prep School if offered admission.

Selection Procedures

A CAP scholarship board will grade the applications and select cadets to recommend to USAFA officials using the following criteria:

1. SAT or ACT scores;
2. High school academic record, including GPA, type and level of courses, AP test scores, attendance, and scholastic awards;
3. Performance as a CAP cadet including achievement level, participation in activities, demonstrated leadership ability, and physical fitness;
4. Extracurricular activities outside of CAP including youth and church organizations, school and sports, and community service;
5. Proper wear of the CAP uniform, as shown in the photograph;
6. Other factors including unit and wing commander endorsements, letters of recommendation, and demonstrated leadership potential.

Applications receiving CAP recommendations will be forwarded to USAFA. Academy officials make the final selection(s) and announce them in the spring, usually in April.

National Cadet Special Activities 2005

Get ready to lead, learn, and explore next summer!

Today's Cadets: Tomorrow's Aerospace Leaders

► How CAP's National Cadet Special Activities Answer America's Call for an Aerospace Workforce

AMERICA needs today's young air and space enthusiasts to become tomorrow's aerospace professionals.

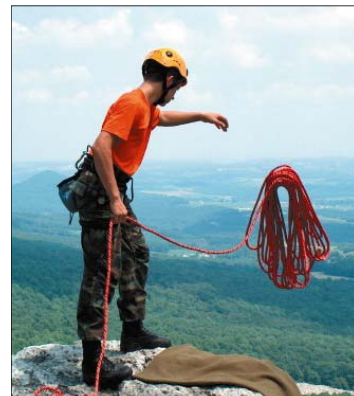
Through career exploration opportunities in Civil Air Patrol's National Cadet Special Activities program, teens are investigating what it will take for them to perpetuate our nation's global leadership in aviation, space, and technology.

The program enables the cadets to spend a week test-driving a career that interests them. Hands-on learning bridges the gap between academic study and what the career fields are like in real life. Civilian aerospace professionals, college faculty, and members of the U.S. Air Force mentor the cadets.

For example, instructor pilots show cadets what it takes to fly Air Force jets. Meteorologists teach cadets how to analyze weather patterns and spot storms. Space systems operators explain how they launch satellites into orbit. Engineering professors show cadets how to design, build, and test airfoils.

Cadets attending National Cadet Special Activities have invested a year or more in CAP. Having progressed through a curriculum that has taught them fundamentals of leadership and the basics of aerospace science, they are ready to take the next step and investigate career opportunities. As high-achieving youth, cadets are disciplined, eager to learn, and serious about choosing good futures.

Civil Air Patrol's National Cadet Special Activities provide fabulous opportunities for young people to have fun while preparing for exciting careers.



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cap.gov/cadets > [ncaa](http://ncaa.org)

Download videos
Read full descriptions of each
special activity
Learn how to apply

2005 NATIONAL CADET SPECIAL ACTIVITIES - QUICK REFERENCE CHART*

ACTIVITY	LOCATION	DATES	FEES
Advanced Technologies Academy	Peterson AFB CO	16-23 Jul	\$350
Advanced Technologies Academy	Shirley NY	7-14 Aug	\$350
Aerospace Education Academy	Oshkosh WI	12-19 Jun	\$260
Aircraft Maintenance & Mfg Course	Independence, KS	16-23 Jul (T)	\$200
AF Air Education & Training Cmd	Columbus AFB MS	9-16 Jul	\$135
AF Air Education & Training Cmd	Laughlin AFB TX	19-25 Jun (T)	\$135
AF Pararescue Orientation / Basic	Kirtland AFB NM	24 Jun - 3 Jul	\$135
AF Space Command Familiarization	Patrick AFB FL	31 Jul - 7 Aug	\$150
AF Space Command Familiarization	Peterson AFB CO	24-30 Jul	\$150
AF Space Command Familiarization	Vandenberg AFB CA	16-23 Jul (T)	\$150
AF Weather Agency Course / Basic	Offutt AFB NE	17-25 Jun	\$160
AF Weather Agency Course / Adv	Offutt AFB NE	17-25 Jun	\$160
Cadet Officer School	Maxwell AFB AL	17-27 Jun	\$200
Engineering Technologies Academy	Auburn AL	17-27 Jun	\$195
Engineering Technologies Academy	Dayton OH	24-31 Jul	\$195
Honor Guard Academy	Camp Pendleton VA (T)	TBA	\$425 New / \$225 Return
National Blue Beret	Oshkosh WI	20 Jul - 2 Aug	\$195
National Flight Academy / Glider	Georgia	13-23 Jul	\$850
National Flight Academy / Glider	Illinois	17-25 Jul	\$850
National Flight Academy / Powered	Nebraska	18-29 Jun	\$850
National Flight Academy / Powered	Oklahoma (T)	TBA	\$850
National Flight Academy / Powered	Tennessee	12-24 Jul	\$850

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National Flight Academy / Powered	Virginia	9-17 Jul (T)	\$850
National Flight Academy / Powered	Wisconsin #1	17-27 Jun	\$850
National Flight Academy / Powered	Wisconsin #2	6-15 Aug	\$850
National Military Music Academy	Camp Fretter MD (T)	TBA	\$350
Nat'l Emergency Services Academy	Camp Atterbury IN	See Below	See Below
NGSAR Team Leader Course	Camp Atterbury IN	25 Jun - 2 Jul	\$155
Nat'l Ground SAR School Basic 1	Camp Atterbury IN	25 Jun - 2 Jul	\$155
Nat'l Ground SAR School Basic 2	Camp Atterbury IN	2-9 Jul	\$155
Nat'l Ground SAR School Adv 1	Camp Atterbury IN	25 Jun - 2 Jul	\$155
Nat'l Ground SAR School Adv 2	Camp Atterbury IN	2-9 Jul	\$155
Mission Base Staff School Basic	Camp Atterbury IN	25 Jun - 2 Jul	\$155
Mission Base Staff School Adv	Camp Atterbury IN	2-9 Jul	\$155
Mission Aircrew School	Camp Atterbury IN	1-9 Jul	\$155
NESA Staff	Camp Atterbury IN	22-31 Jul	\$45
Activities With Special Application Procedures - See HQ CAP Website*			
Civic Leadership Academy	Washington DC	26 Feb - 5 Mar	\$250
Hawk Mountain SAR School	Hamburg PA	9-17 Jul	\$100
International Air Cadet Exchange	Worldwide	15 Jul - 3 Aug	\$100
Other Special Activities - Apply Directly via Web. Do NOT Apply to HQ CAP			
Aviation Challenge	www.spacecamp.com	1-800-63-SPACE	
EAA Air Academy	www.eaa.org		
Space Camp	www.spacecamp.com	1-800-63-SPACE	

*Visit www.cap.gov/cadets and click "NCSAs" for the latest information and details. All details subject to change. "(T)" indicates dates and/or location are tentative.



CADET PERSPECTIVE: *Notes from the National Cadet Advisory Council*

By C/Col **Andrew Shepherd**, CAP, Vice Chair

For the cadets who do not know what the Cadet Advisory Council (CAC) is, many think of it as a waste of time. In reality, nothing could be further from the truth! Each CAC has the same potential to be a dynamic environment where cadets grow in their leadership, communication skills, and organizational abilities.

Whether a cadet serves at the local group council or at the national level, they provide a unique prospective and input for their echelon commander that may otherwise prove difficult to achieve. CAC members have the great honor and privilege of representing their membership in their votes, but sadly few cadets choose to participate in this exciting service to CAP.

As a new year begins, get involved! If you're not able to represent your unit, then attend a few meetings. Propose those great

new ideas about how to make CAP better. Don't let fear of an unknown experience deprive you of one of the best parts of the Cadet Program. You may surprise yourself with what you will accomplish, and you might even make some new friends. None of the challenges that face CAP today will be conquered if the cadet membership doesn't take an active role. You might have an idea to fix a problem nobody else would have imagined. This year, be part of the Cadet Advisory Council's traditions of excellence, leadership, integrity, and service.

Let's make this the start of a new period of growth in both ideas and membership in the CAC that will continue for years to come. Is it just another year at the CAC? That's up to you!

► **Learn more.** Visit cap.gov/cadets and click "CAC."